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RURAL DISTRICT OF KINGSCLERE AND WHITCHURCH
PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

September, 1966

To the Chairman and Members
of the Kingsclere and Whitchurch Rural District Council:-
Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report on the health and sanitary circumstances of your District for the year 1965.

Dr. A. C. Howard, whose death in tragic circumstances shocked us all, was Medical Officer of Health until 1st April, 1965 when he went on sick leave. For the remainder of the year Dr. T. E. Roberts, Medical Officer of Health, Basingstoke Borough and Rural District was Acting Medical Officer of Health.

The Registrar General's estimated mid-year population was 25,690 which was an increase of 460 over 1964. There were 233 deaths and 570 births showing a natural increase of 337.

I should like to thank the Chief Public Health Inspector and the staff of both his and my department for their help in the completion of this report.

I have the honour to be
Your Obedient Servant,

Medical Officer of Health.

General Statistics

Area - 77,392 acres

Population - the estimated mid-year population was 25,690

The population trend of the Kingsclere & Whitchurch Rural District is as follows:-

	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965
Estimated Mid-year population	19,350	20,390	21,230	21,490	21,680	23,430	23,710	24,670	25,230	25,690

The total number of deaths in 1965 was 233; the number of births was 570 showing a natural increase of births over deaths of 337

The rateable value of the District was £734,559 (as at 4.2.65.)

The product of a penny rate was £2,950

The number of inhabited houses was 7,660

Vital Statistics

Births

The Registrar General's figures for live and still births in the Kingsclere and Whitchurch Rural District in 1965 were 570 and 5 respectively.

Table showing Legitimate and Illegitimate Live Births for 1965.

Live Births	Males	Females	Total
Legitimate	280	260	540
Illegitimate	16	14	30
Total	296	274	570

Table showing Still Births for 1965

Still Births	Males	Females	Total
Legitimate	2	3	5
Illegitimate	0	0	0
Total	2	3	5

Live Birth Rate

The crude live birth rate per 1,000 of the population was 22.2. The corrected live birth rate (using a comparability factor of 0.98) was 21.8 compared with a rate of 18.1 for England and Wales, and 19.7 for the Administrative County of Hampshire. In 1964 the corrected birth rate for Kingsclere & Whitchurch was 19.73.

Illegitimate Births

The number of illegitimate births was 30 compared with 23 in 1964. A better comparison is the percentage of illegitimate births to total live births which was 5.3% compared with 4.4% in 1964.

Still Births

There were 5 still births (all legitimate births) giving a still birth rate per 1,000 total live and stillbirths of 8.7 compared with 11.9 in 1964. The still birth rate for England and Wales in 1965 was 15.8 and for the Administrative County of Hampshire it was 12.5.

Infant Deaths

Five infants under the age of one year died in 1965 - there were no deaths in illegitimate infants. Of these 4 died in the first week of life and the other one between a month and a year. The cause of death in three cases was prematurity; in another it was due to congenital causes and in the fifth, the cause was broncho-pneumonia.

Table showing Infant Deaths in 1965					
Under one year		Under four weeks		Under one week	
Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
3	2	2	2	2	2

Infant Mortality Rate

This is calculated as the total infant deaths per 1,000 live births and for 1965 was 8.8 compared with 22.0 in 1964. For England and Wales in 1965 the Infant Mortality Rate was 19.0 and for the Administrative County Hampshire it was 17.8.

Legitimate Mortality Rate

As all infant deaths were in legitimate births the Legitimate Infant Mortality Rate was also 8.8.

Illegitimate Infant Mortality Rate

As there were no deaths in illegitimate infants this rate was zero.

Neonatal Mortality Rate

This is the deaths of infants under four weeks per 1,000 live births and for the year under review was 7.0 compared with 12.0 in 1964.

Early Neonatal Mortality Rate

This is deaths of infants under one week of age per 1,000 live births and was also 7.0 compared with 12.0 for 1964.

Perinatal Mortality Rate

This rate is the combined number of deaths of infants under one week and stillbirths per 1,000 total live births and still births and was 15.6 compared with 23.8 in 1964.

Maternal Deaths

There were no maternal deaths from pregnancy or childbirth giving a Maternal Mortality Rate of zero for 1965. The Maternal Mortality Rate for the Administrative County of Hampshire was 0.11 in 1965.

Deaths from all Causes

The Registrar General has recorded the following deaths and they are classified under the thirty-five headings based on the abbreviated list of International Statistical Classifications of Diseases, Injuries and Causes of Death in 1965.

Where headings are omitted from the table there were no deaths due to these causes.

Cause of Death	Sex	Total all Ages	Under 4 Weeks	4 weeks & under 1 year	1-	5-	15-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	75 & over
1.Tuberculosis, Respiratory	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9.Other Infective & Parasitic Diseases	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10.Malignant Neoplasm Stomach	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-
	F	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	1
11.Malignant Neoplasm Lung, Bronchus	M	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	4	3	1
	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
12.Malignant Neoplasm Breast	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
13.Malignant Neoplasm Uterus	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
14.Other Malignant & Lymphatic Neoplasms	M	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	1	1	3
	F	10	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	5	3
15.Leukaemia Aleukaemia	M	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16.Diabetes	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
17.Vascular Lesions of Nervous System	M	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	6	13
	F	21	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	3	5	11
18.Coronary Disease, Angina	M	29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	8	9	8
	F	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	4	4	8
19.Hypertension with Heart Disease	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
	F	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	2
20.Other Heart Disease	M	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	9
	F	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	1	19
21.Other Circulatory Disease	M	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	2
	F	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-
23.Pneumonia	M	6	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	2
	F	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
24.Bronchitis	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-
	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
26.Ulcer of Stomach and Duodenum	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
	F	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3
27.Gastritis,Enteritis and Diarrhoea	M	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
28.Nephritis and Nephrosis	M	2	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
29.Hyperplasia of Prostate	M	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
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31.Congenital Malformations	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
32.Other Defined and Ill-defined Diseases	M	6	2	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	2
	F	11	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	3	4
33.Motor Vehicle Accidents	M	3	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	-
	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
34.All other Accidents	M	2	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
35.Suicide	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total all Causes	M	120	2	1	1	1	2	3	2	11	20	29	48
	F	113	2	-	1	-	-	2	3	8	10	29	58

The total number of deaths in 1965 was 233. Of these only 39 occurred below the age of 54 years and 106 over the age of 75.

Diseases of the heart accounted for 84 deaths - they caused 36.1% of all deaths.

Coronary artery disease caused 46 deaths giving a figure of 19.7% of all deaths.

Vascular lesions of the nervous system with 41 deaths gave a percentage figure of 17.6%

If all deaths due to diseases of the heart and circulatory system (which includes vascular lesions of the nervous system) are totalled a figure of 134 deaths is arrived at - thus causing 57.5% of all deaths in the district.

Cancer caused thirty-eight deaths giving a figure of 16.3% of deaths. Cancer of the lung and bronchus caused 10 deaths or in other words 26.3% of cancer deaths. Cancer of the uterus caused 5.3% of deaths.

With a better realisation of the public of the correlation between cigarette smoking and cancer of the lung and bronchus, the number of deaths due to this type of cancer should drop. In addition, with the advent of the cervical smear techniques, many deaths due to cancer of the uterus will be prevented.

Crude Death Rate per 1,000 estimated population	9.07
Corrected Death Rate (using comparability factor of 1.14) per 1,000 established population	10.34
Death rate per 1,000 estimated population Administrative County of Hampshire	10.3
Death Rate per 1,000 estimated population of England and Wales	11.5

Communicable Diseases

The number of infectious diseases notified in 1965 in the Kingsclere and Whitchurch Rural District was 377. Of these 362 were cases of measles.

Table showing number and types of infectious diseases notified.

Diseases	Number
Measles	362
Scarlet Fever	1
Dysentery	2
Whooping-Cough	6
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	6
Total	377

Tuberculosis

There were nine new cases of pulmonary tuberculosis in the district in 1965, though three of these were inward transfers from other areas. Three cases were removed from the register, two cured and one transfer to another area.

One is apt to think that tuberculosis has been wiped out but there are still many cases of undetected tuberculosis in the population of the country, capable of passing on the disease to a non-immune contact.

Tuberculosis in Kingsclere & Whitchurch Rural District, 1965

	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
New Cases	5	1	-	-	6
Inward Transfers	3	-	-	-	3
No.on Register as at 31.12.65.	100 174	74	12 35	23	209

Vaccination and Immunisation

Vaccination against poliomyelitis was offered to all persons under 40 years of age. The vaccine generally used is the oral (sabin) type of vaccine which is easier to administer to children. It is important to ensure that the highest possible acceptance rate, especially among young children, is maintained.

The acceptance rate of the whole of the Administrative County of Hampshire is as follows:-

Children born in	at 31.12.63.	at 31.12.64.	at 31.12.65.
1962	62%	76%	80%
1963		71%	81%
1964			75%

These figures show a steady upward trend and reflect the fact that a well organised programme having the co-operation of the General Practitioners, District and County Council Staff, can produce worthwhile results.

The following table shows the number of persons under 16 years immunised against Poliomyelitis in 1965 in Kingsclere & Whitchurch Rural District.

Age Groups	Numbers Vaccinated
Children born in 1965	70
" " 1964	295
" " 1963	48
" " 1962	22
" 1958/1961	26
Others under 16 yrs.	8
Re-inforcing doses under16 yrs.	691
Quadrilin	104
Total	1,264

Smallpox Vaccination

The following table shows the number of vaccinations of age groups under 16 years, carried out in Kingsclere Rural District in 1965.

Age at Date of Vaccination	Primary	Re-vaccination
0 - 3 months	4	
4 - 6 months	10	
7 - 9 months	52	
10 -12 months	14	
1 year	207	
2 - 4 years	31	2
5 -15 years	13	11
Total	331	13

Records are not kept over the age of 16 years.

Diphtheria, Tetanus and Whooping Cough Vaccination

The most frequently used agent is Triple Antigen which contains antigens of diphtheria, whooping cough and tetanus. This reduces the number of injections necessary, which are usually commenced when the infant is about three months old. The antigens, given combined in a single vaccine, produce a greater protection to each disease than they would if given separately.

The following table shows the completed courses and booster doses given in 1965.

Type of Antigen	Primary Course	Booster Course
Triple	406	245
Diphtheria/Tetanus	1	609
Quadrilin	104	10

B.C.G. Vaccination

This is offered to all children on reaching the age of thirteen years, by the County Council through the School Health Service.

The following table gives more information by schools of B.C.G. vaccination in 1965.

School	Envelopes returned	Already had B.C.G.	Consent	Heaf test	Positive	Negative	Given B.C.G.	T.B. Index
Whitchurch Secondary	330	20	268	232	18	211	211	7.9
Kingsclere C.E. Secondary	103	7	84	79	9	68	68	11.7
Baughurst The Hurst Secondary	256	14	221	201	9	183	183	4.7

The tuberculin index does not necessarily indicate tuberculous disease, as the resistance of the great majority of pupils is sufficient to overcome the invading organism. It does, however, indicate the degree of opportunity for invasion and is thus a useful index of infectious cases in a community.

County Health Services

Health Visitors

Mrs. M. Mensavis

Mrs. P. Walker

Miss W. Copestake

District Nurse/Midwives

Tadley - Baughurst (part)
Miss E. M. Smith

Burghclere
Miss J. White

Overton
Mrs. A. Marner

Whitchurch
Mrs. A. R. Lockey

Kingsclere
Mrs. J. Dann

Tadley
Miss O. M. Jepps

Tadley (District Nurse)
Mrs. M. O'Dea

District Nurse/Midwife/Health Visitor

Bourne Valley
Mrs. M. R. Brookes

Highclere
Mrs. E. I. Stynes

Child Welfare Clinics

Burghclere	Parish Hall	1st Tuesday
Burnham Copse	Community Centre	Each Wednesday
Kingsclere	The Club	1st & 3rd Thursday
Overton	St. Mary's Hall	1st & 3rd Friday
Tadley	Memorial Hall	2nd & 4th Tuesday
Whitchurch	Church Hall	4th Wednesday
Ecchinswell	Village Hall	3rd Tuesday
Ashford Hill	Village Hall	2nd Wednesday
Woolton Hill	Parish Hall	3rd Wednesday
Bishops Green	Social Centre	3rd Tuesday

District Health Sub-Committee

The Andover and Kingsclere District Health Sub-Committee is a Sub-Committee of the Health Committee of the Hampshire County Council. As each District Council appoints three Councillors and two co-opted members representing voluntary organisations it has available a considerable amount of valuable information concerning the three districts. Reports are submitted on infectious disease, births and deaths, registration and inspection of nurseries, immunisation and vaccination, midwifery and maternity services, home help servises, district nurses' accommodation and 'Meals on Wheels', in which all three districts have a common interest.

In addition, the Sub-Committee appoints district nurses and midwives, submits financial estimates for the Home Help Service and deals with such matters as the distribution of Welfare Foods and other activities concerned with Child Welfare Centres.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTIONS

Public Health Acts	1,634
Food Poisoning & Infectious Diseases	329
Housing Acts	556
Caravan Act	98
Offices, Shops & Railway Premises Act	143
Factories Act	31
Shops Act	22
Food & Drugs Act	288
Noise Abatement Act	8
Animal Boarding Establishments Act	10
Betting & Gaming Act	15
Diseases of Animals Act	2
Petroleum Regulations	43
Council Houses	124
Refuse Collection & Disposal	44
Sewage Disposal	122
Water Supplies	50
Scrap Metal Dealers Act	4
Knackers Yard	5
Building Byelaws	2,620
Drain Testing	206

HOUSING

Housing Act, 1957

Extracts from the Housing Returns to the Ministry of Housing and Local Government for 1965.

Houses Demolished	-	3
Unfit Houses Closed	-	3
Number of Persons Displaced	-	2
Number of Families Displaced	-	1
Unfit Houses made Fit	-	14

Private Building

One hundred and seventy three houses were completed by private enterprise building in 1965 and they are situated as shown in the table below; the table also indicates the number of houses still under construction at the end of the year but commenced in 1964.

	New Houses	
	Completed	Under Construction
Ashmansworth	Nil	1
Baughurst	24	14
Burghclere	Nil	1
East Woodhay	10	5
Ecchinswell and Sydmonton	1	Nil
Highclere	5	8
Kingsclere	31	9
Laverstoke	2	1
Litchfield and Woodcott	2	Nil
Overton	19	29
St. Mary Bourne	4	3
Tadley	71	211
Whitchurch	5	5
	173	287

The following conversions, giving additional units of accommodation, were completed during the year:-

Overton - Conversion of outbuildings into dwelling at Ashe House, Overton

Baughurst - Conversion of Church into dwelling at Baughurst.

The remaining building works have been tabulated as "Alterations and additions to private dwellings" and "Miscellaneous" the latter covering Agricultural buildings, garages, schools, churches, etc.

	Alterations & Additions	Miscellaneous
Baughurst	2	11
Burghclere	3	3
East Woodhay	3	6
Ecchinswell & Sydmonton	1	3
Highclere	5	3
Hurstbourne Priors	Nil	Nil
Kingsclere	18	20
Laverstoke	1	4
Litchfield & Woodcott	1	Nil
Newtown	2	3
Overton	6	6
St. Mary Bourne	2	3
Tadley	8	26
Whitchurch	5	13
	57	101

Plans Submitted for approval - Building Byelaws

1.	Number of plans submitted for the erection of new houses	54
2.	Number of houses proposed on plans	319
3.	Number of plans submitted for the alterations, extension or modification of existing buildings	59
4.	Total number of plans submitted	406
5.	Number of plans refused	Nil
6.	Number of plans not subject to Byelaw consent	Nil

HOUSING (FINANCIAL PROVISIONS) ACT, 1958 - DISCRETIONARY & STANDARD GRANTS

		Total Value
Number of Discretionary Grants approved	- 5	£1,819 10s. 6d.
Number of Standard Grants approved	- 41	£6,139 8s. 3d.

(During the course of the year Discretionary Grants were suspended owing to the increase in the bank rate.)

Number of Grants for each Parish:-

	Number of Improvement Grants	Number of Standard Grants
Baughurst	2	3
Burghclere	-	1
East Woodhay	-	5
Ecchinswell & Sydmonton	1	2
Highclere	-	3
Kingsclere	2	5
Newtown	-	1
Overton	-	8
St. Mary Bourne	-	2
Tadley	-	5
Whitchurch	-	6

Number of properties owner/occupied	Discretionary Grant	- 4
	Standard Grant	- 30
	Total	- 34
Number of properties tenanted	Discretionary Grant	- 1
	Standard Grant	- 11
	Total	- 12

HOUSING (FINANCIAL PROVISION) ACT,1958 - LOANS TO PURCHASE HOUSES

Owing to the increase in the bank rate, loans for the purchase of new and existing houses were suspended.

HOUSING PROGRESS, 1965

The Council now own and control 1,500 dwellings.

44 new dwellings were completed during the period, as follows:-

Houses	Bungalows	Flats	Total
12	16	16	44

RE-HOUSING DURING THE YEAR

Vacancies in pre-1945 dwellings	-	3
Vacancies in post-1945 dwellings	-	25
New building allocations	-	46
Transfers	-	24
Exchanges	-	11
		109

CARAVAN SITES AND CONTROL OF DEVELOPMENT ACT, 1960

There are 12 sites licensed for 2 or more caravans.

These sites are situated as follows:-

Parish	Site	Licensed for No. of Caravans
Baughurst	Poplar Corner	2
ingsclere	Maythorn, Headley	3
	Yew Tree Farm	2
	Swan Street (rear of)	3
Overton	Waltham Road	8
St. Mary Bourne	Picket Piece	15
Tadley	Tadley Hill (2 sites)	7
	Mulfords Hill	2
	New Inn	2
	35 West Street	2
Whitchurch	Bere Hill Farm	12

Individual licensed caravan sites are situated as follows:-

Parish	Number Licensed
Baughurst	3
East Woodhay	2
Highclere	1
Kingsclere	11
Newtown	1
Overton	1
St. Mary Bourne	1
Tadley	4
Whitchurch	3

Food Premises Within the District

Parish	Butchers Shops	Bake-houses	Fried Fish Shops	Sausage Manufac-turers	Grocers & Green Grocers	Cafes & Restaurant Kitchens	Public Houses
Ashmansworth	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Baughurst	1	-	-	-	6	-	4
Burghclere	-	1	-	-	4	1	3
East Woodhay	-	1	-	-	6	1	5
Ecchinswell & Sydmonton	-	-	-	-	3	1	1
Highclere	-	-	-	-	1	1	-
Hurstbourne Priors	-	-	-	-	1	1	1
Kingsclere	2	2	1	2	14	5	7
Laverstoke	-	-	-	-	1	2	1
Litchfield & Woodcott	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Newtown	-	-	-	-	1	1	1
Overton	3	-	1	3	11	5	4
St.Mary Bourne	1	-	-	1	5	1	5
Tadley	3	-	3	2	14	2	4
Whitchurch	5	1	1	5	16	2	8
Total	15	5	6	13	85	23	45

FOOD SUPPLIES

Samples of Milk and Milk Containers

Milk

135 samples were taken, with the following results:-

108 Satisfactory

27 Unsatisfactory

Milk Containers

60 containers were submitted for testing with the following results:-

Number of Bottles	Average Colony Count	Result/Action Taken
60	0.6	Very satisfactory

Having regard to the fact that up to 600 colony counts per container is considered satisfactory, these results are extremely gratifying.

Food and Drugs Act, 1955, Section 16

There are 102 premises registered for the sale of pre-packed ice-cream and preparation and manufacture of sausages, and their distribution as follows:-

Ashmansworth	-	1	Kingsclere	-	18
Baughurst	-	7	Litchfield & Woodcott	-	1
Burghclere	-	3	Newtown	-	1
East Woodhay	-	9	Overton	-	14
Ecchinswell	-	3	St. Mary Bourne	-	6
Highclere	-	3	Tadley	-	15
Hurstbourne Priors	-	1	Whitchurch	-	20

Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960

Routine inspections were maintained throughout the year and several contraventions brought to the notice of the owners. Complaints received from members of the public were investigated and resulted in warning letters being sent in the majority of cases, but in one case involving the sale of a cake affected by mould growth it was necessary to take legal action.

Condemnation of Diseased and Unsound Food

241 lbs. various frozen foods. 4 x 7 oz. tins corned beef.

THE OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

Extract from the Annual return to the Ministry of Labour

Table "A" - Registrations and General Inspections

Class of Premises	Number of premises registered during the year	Total number of registered premises at end of year	Number of registered premises receiving a general inspection during the year
Offices	2	31	2
Retail Shops	3	80	10
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	-	1	-
Catering establishments open to the public, Canteens	-	7	1
Fuel storage depots	-	3	-

Table 'B' - Number of Visits of all kinds by Inspectors to Registered Premises

Total - 107

Table 'C' - Analysis of persons employed in Registered Premises by Workplace

Class of Workplace	Number of persons employed
Offices	115
Retail shops	335
Wholesale departments, warehouses	9
Catering establishments open to public	18
Canteens	14
Fuel storage depots	-
Total	491
Total Males	179
Total Females	312

LICENCES ISSUED 1965	NUMBER ISSUED
Animal Boarding Establishments Act, 1963 (For establishments situated in the Parishes of Ashmansworth and Highclere)	2
Game Dealers'Licences	16
Slaughtermen's Licences	8
Licence to keep a Slaughterhouse or Knackers Yard (For a Knackers Yard situated in the Parish of St. Mary Bourne)	1
Licences to store petroleum spirit at premises situated as follows:-	101
Ashmansworth	5
Baughurst	5
Burghclere	5
East Woodhay	7
Ecchinswell and Sydmonton	6
Highclere	7
Hurstbourne Priors	1
Kingsclere	15
Laverstoke	2
Litchfield and Woodcott	2
Newtown	3
Overton	12
St. Mary Bourne	15
Tadley	4
Whitchurch	12

The total amount of petroleum under licence within the district is 153,150 gallons.

Scrap Metal Dealers Act, 1964

Ten Scrap Metal Dealers were registered under this Act, which came into force on the 1st April, 1965, as follows:-

Baughurst	- 2	Hurstbourne Priors	- 2
Tadley	- 4	Adbury	- 1
Overton	- 1		

Factories

Paper Mills	- 2	Shoe Repair Shops	- 2
Soap Works	- 1	Blacksmiths Works	- 4
Garage and Engineering	- 29	Agricultural Engineers	- 1
Silk Mills	- 1	Dry Cleaners	- 1
Joinery Works	- 10	Quilters	- 2
Lime Kilns	- 2	Bakeries	- 5

Number of inspections made:- 31.

WATER SUPPLIES

The results of samples taken during the year were as follows:-

Parish	Satisfactory Private	Satisfactory Public	Council	Unsatisfactory Private	Unsatisfactory Public	Council	Total
Burghclere	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
East Woodhay	2	-	-	7	-	-	9
Kingsclere	-	-	-	3	-	-	3
Overton	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
St. Mary Bourne	32	-	-	13	-	-	45
Tadley	-	-	-	4	-	-	4
Whitchurch	2	-	-	-	-	-	2
Total	37	-	-	28	-	-	65

Swimming Pools

Three samples taken from 3 schools swimming pools proved to be satisfactory.

Public Water Supplies

The Southampton Corporation, the Thames Valley Water Board and the Mid-Wessex Water Board are the statutory water undertakers in the District.

There are three pumping stations in the Rural District and these are situated at Kingsclere, Overton and Whitchurch.

The water is obtained from 6 boreholes, the quality of the water is good, although hard, being derived from the chalk.

The number of reservoirs in the district total nine, and are situated as follows:-

Kingsclere	3	Total Capacity	300,000 gallons
Highclere	2	Total Capacity	335,000 gallons
East Woodhay	1	Total Capacity	100,000 gallons
Overton	1	Total Capacity	500,000 gallons
Whitchurch	2	Total Capacity	215,000 gallons
		OVERALL TOTAL	1,450,000 gallons

REFUSE

Refuse Collection and Disposal

The collection is "kerbside" in character and a weekly collection is made throughout the Rural District.

In the case of the aged and infirm occupiers living on their own, arrangements are made upon request for the refuse bins to be collected from the back doors.

The Council's fleet of refuse freighters consists of four vehicles, details of which are given below:-

Purchased				Type
1956	-	1 Shelvoke & Drewry	-	Fore & Aft Tipper - 18 cub.yd.cap.(Dies
1958	-	1 Shelvoke & Drewry	-	Fore & Aft Tipper - 18 cub.yd.cap.(Dies
1960	-	1 Shelvoke & Drewry	-	Fore & Aft Tipper - 18 cub.yd.cap.(Dies
1962	-	1 Shelvoke & Drewry	-	Fore & Aft Tipper - 12 cub.yd.cap.(Dies

The refuse is disposed of by burying in large disused pits but is first fired before being bull-dozed and covered, this reduces the fly and rat menace consideralby, but a certain amount of treatment is also carried out to control both fly and rat menace.

The tips are situated at Juniper Down, Stoke and Oxford Lane, Ashford Hill. Fortunately, these tips are situated well away from any dwellings and the firing does not, therefore, cause any nuisance.

The labour force consists of 4 Loader-drivers, one spare Loader-driver 8 Loaders and 2 Tip-men. Reserve labour being available from the Depot, Whitchurch.

The Rural District is divided into four areas for the purpose of refuse collection.

Daily Work

Average tonnage of refuse collected daily	38 tons
Average number of refuse bins emptied daily	1,943 bins
Average number of miles travelled daily	209 miles

Weekly Work

Average tonnage of refuse collected weekly	190 tons
Average number of bins emptied weekly	9,715 bins
Average number of miles travelled weekly	1,047 miles

Yearly Work

Average tonnage of refuse collected yearly	9,880 tons
Average number of refuse bins emptied yearly	505,180 bins
Average number of miles travelled yearly	54,462 miles

Salvage

Total amount of salvage collected:-

Paper	134 tons
Flock	6 cwts.
Scrap Metal	27 tons
Rags	2 tons 18 cwts.
Feathers	34 lbs.

SEWAGE DISPOSAL

There are three major sewage works in the Rural District, situated at Kingsclere, Overton and Whitchurch.

The Tadley Sewage Works are situated at Silchester, which is in the Rural District of Basingstoke.

Kingsclere Sewage Works, Union Lane, Kingsclere, deals with the sewage from the village of Kingsclere. These works are gravity fed. The volume of sewage dealt with during the year was 36,802,000 gallons. Proposals are in hand to enlarge these works to sewer the village of Ecchinswell and discharge into the Kingsclere disposal plant.

Overton Sewage Works, Southington, deal with the sewage from the villages of Overton and Freefolk. The sewage from Freefolk being pumped to the pumping station at Overton. The volume of sewage dealt with during the year was 69,170,000 gallons.

Whitchurch Sewage Works, off Winchester Road, Whitchurch, deals with the sewage from the village of Whitchurch. The pumping station is situated at the Council Depot, and the sewage is pumped from there to disposal works, where it is treated by broad land irrigation. The volume of sewage dealt with during the year was 49,175,000.

Tadley Sewage Works, Inhams Copse, Silchester. These Works deal with the sewage from the village of Tadley, the A.W.R.E. housing estate in Baughurst, and the A.W.R.E. and their housing estates in the Rural District of Bradfield, Berkshire. The quantity of sewage dealt with during the year was 198,410,000 gallons.

It is estimated that the population served by main drainage is 12,000 and the population served by the small sewage disposal plants dealing with Council Estates 1,100 making a total of 13,100 on water borne drainage.

During the current year work continued on the scheme to provide mains drainage in the Parishes of St. Mary Bourne and Hurstbourne Priors, and it is estimated that this will be completed in September, 1966.

Council House Disposal Plants

There is also a sewage works situated at Bishops Green, Ecchinswell, owned by the Air Ministry. These works take the domestic sewage from Greenham Common Airfield (situated in Berkshire) and the Council, by agreement, discharges the domestic sewage from some 100 dwellings at Bishops Green into these works.

In addition to these major sewage works there are 20 small sewage disposal plants dealing with sewage from the undermentioned Council House Sites:-

		Number of Houses Served
Ashmansworth		6
Ashford Hill	- Holt Cottages	12
	- Inhurst	8
Burghclere	- Breachfield	54
Highclere	- Penwood	18
	- Highclere Street	6
Newtown	- Jonathon Hill	14
East Woodhay	- Copnor	12
	- Tile Barn	28
St. Mary Bourne	- Queens Cottages	4
	- Fishers Field	12
	- Stevens Green	21
	- Swampton	5
	- Batsford	6
	- Stoke	4
Headley	- Thornfield	18
Wolverton	- Townsend	6
Ecchinswell		21
		255

The quantity of sewage treated by the above small plants annually is 9,307,500 gallons.

In the areas not served by main drainage, the drainage system is by a menas of septic tanks, cesspools and earth or pail closets, and a night soil collection service is provided for emptying the pail closets.

Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949

Extract from the Annual Return to the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and food for the year ending 31st December, 1965.

	Local Authority	Dwelling Houses (inc. C.Houses)	Business Premises	Agricultural
Number of properties nspected (as a result of notification and in the course of Survey under the Act)	25	2,073	59	189
Number of such properties found to be infested	21	782	16	95
Total Treatments carried out including re-treatments	68	951	26	110
Total Inspections carried out including re-inspections	89	2,153	69	154
Number of "block" control schemes carried out	6 schemes 4 part villages and 2 Council house estates			

The inspection and treatment of dwelling houses, business and agricultural properties has been maintained throughout the year and in addition to the routine inspection and treatment of refuse tips and sewage works, surveys have been made and treatments carried out along roadside verges and lay-bys.

General

a) No charges are made for the treatment of dwelling houses.

b) Charges for the treatment of business, including agricultural, premises are made on a material, labour and travelling plus administration cost basis.

c) Premixed bait (oatmeal and warfarin) is made available at a reasonable cost to owners of agricultural properties who wish to carry out their own treatments.

RAINFALL - 1965

Two rain gauges are located in the Rural District and one at Silchester in the Rural District of Basingstoke. They are situated as follows:-

1. Council Offices, Kingsclere.
2. The Tadley Sewage Works, Inhams Copse, Silchester.
3. The Council Depot, Whitchurch

1. Rainfall recorded at the Council Offices, Kingsclere.

Total for the year	-	32.29
Wettest month	-	December
Driest month	-	February

The heaviest rainfall was on the 2nd August, when 1.08 inches was recorded. Rain fell on 149 days.

2. Rainfall recorded at Tadley Sewage Works, Inhams Copse, Silchester

Total for the year	-	29.29
Wettest month	-	December
Driest month	-	February

3. Rainfall recorded at the Depot, Whitchurch

Total for the year	-	31.28
Wettest month	-	December
Driest month	-	February

The heaviest rainfall was on the 2nd August, when 1.35 inches was recorded. Rain fell on 179 days.

Inspection of Factories

Factories Act, 1961 Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

Premises (1)	Number on Register (2)	Number of Inspections (3)	Number of Written Notices (4)	Occupiers Prosecuted (5)
(i) Factories in which Sections 1,2,3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	-	-	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	69	31	-	-
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority excluding out-workers' premises)	22	15	-	-
Total	91	46	-	-

Cases in which defects were found

Particulars (1)	No of cases in which defects were found: Found (2)	Remedied (3)	Referred To H.M. Inspector (4)	By H.M. Inspector (5)	Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted (6)
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6.)	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7.) (a) Insufficient	1	1	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	-	-	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	-	-	-	-	-
Total	1	1	-	-	-

Nature of Work (1)	Section 133			Section 134		
	No. of out-workers in August list required by Section 133(1)(c) (2)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council (3)	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists (4)	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises (5)	Notices Served (6)	Prosecutions (7)
Wearing apparel } Making etc.,	2	-	-	-	-	-
Wearing apparel } Cleaning and Washing	-	-	-	-	-	-
Household linen	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lace, lace curtains and nets	-	-	-	-	-	-
Curtains and furniture hangings	-	-	-	-	-	-
Furniture and upholstery	-	-	-	-	-	-
Electro-plate	-	-	-	-	-	-
File making	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brass and brass articles	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fur pulling	-	-	-	-	-	-
Iron and steel cables and chains	-	-	-	-	-	-
Iron and steel anchors and grapnels	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cart gear	-	-	-	-	-	-
Locks, latches and keys	-	-	-	-	-	-
Umbrellas, etc.	1	-	-	-	-	-
Artificial flowers	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nets, other than wire nets	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tents	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sacks	-	-	-	-	-	-
Racquet and tennis balls	-	-	-	-	-	-

Outwork (Sections 133 and 134)

Nature of Work	Section 133			Section 134		
	No. of out-workers in August list required by Section 133 (1) (c)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises	Notices served	Prosecuti
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
Paper bags	-	-	-	-	-	-
The making of boxes or other receptacles or parts thereof made wholly or partially of paper	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brush making	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pea picking	-	-	-	-	-	-
Feather sorting	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carding, etc., of buttons etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stuffed toys	-	-	-	-	-	-
Basket making	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chocolates and sweetmeats	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cosaques, Christmas stockings, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-
Textile weaving	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lampshades	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	3	-	-	-	-	-